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3) Since this application is in condition for allowatelosed in accordance with the practice under Disposition of Claims						
4)⊠ Claim(s) <u>92-123</u> is/are pending in the applicati	ion.					
4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.						
5) Claim(s) is/are allowed.						
6) Claim(s) is/are rejected.						
7) Claim(s) is/are objected to.						
8) Claim(s) 92-123 are subject to restriction and/o	or election requirement.					
Application Papers						
9)☐ The specification is objected to by the Examine	r.					
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1. The preliminary amendment filed 6/21/01 are acknowledged, entered and considered. In view of Applicant's request claims 1-91 have been canceled and claims 92-123 have been added. Thus, claims 92-123 are present in the application.

Election of Species Requirement

2. Claim 92 generic to a plurality of disclosed patentably distinct species comprising of peptides which encompass a lipophilic substituent of different compound species, spacers and derivatives that require different classification, and as such, different bibliographic and/or literature, manual and computer search (i.e., burdensome search). Therefore, Applicant is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 to elect a single disclosed species (i.e., a single compound), and to list all claims readable thereon including those subsequently added, even though this requirement is traversed. Further, Applicant should include a chemical structure of the elected species/compound if it is not disclosed in the specification. Claims 122 and 123 would be examined along any elected species.

Should applicant traverse on the ground that the species are not patentably distinct, applicant should submit evidence or identify such evidence now of record showing the species to be obvious variants or clearly admit on the record that this is the case. In either instance, if the examiner finds one of the inventions unpatentable over the prior art, the evidence or admission may be used in a rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) of the other invention.

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3. A telephone call was made to Richard W. Bork on 9/10/03 to request an oral election to the above restriction requirement, but did not result in an election being made.

Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement is traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

- 4. Applicant is reminded that upon the cancellation of claims to a non-elected invention, the inventorship must be amended in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(b) if one or more of the currently named inventors is no longer an inventor of at least one claim remaining in the application. Any amendment of inventorship must be accompanied by a request under 37 CFR 1.48(b) and by the fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(i).
- 5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Abdel A. Mohamed whose telephone number is (703) 308-3966. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 7:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. The examiner can also be reached on alternated Fridays

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Christopher S.F. Low can be reached on (703) 308-2923. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9306.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

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